

REFUGEES RE HELD UP BY SOLDIERS

Train from Capital City is
Held Up and Passengers
Are Insulted.

RING IN CITY OF MEXICO

Beship With Aeroplane Equip-
ment Joins Badger's Fleet—
Maas is Closely Watched.

(WNU News Service.)
Cruz, April 25.—After a thrill-
ing trip from Mexico City, in which
they were repeatedly held up by fed-
eral troops, hissed and insulted, 150
American, British and German refu-
gees have arrived here.

A special train from the capital was
in two sections. Eight miles out
of Vera Cruz it was discovered that
the tracks had been torn up. A relief
train guarded by bluejackets from the
British warship Essex reached the
torn tracks. The refugees were then
transferred and the trip to Vera Cruz
completed.

Eight hundred Americans are still
in Mexico City. They are in the
greatest danger. During the last three
days serious anti-American demon-
strations have occurred. The Amer-
ican consulate was attacked and
burned. The coat of arms was torn
from the door.

American Shops Looted.
American shops have been looted to
the capital and Americans have ap-
peared on the streets at their peril.
They were hissed, stoned and insulted.
On the trains arriving were 60
Americans, 40 British and 50 Germans.
The refugees included men, women
and children. Little attempt was made
to carry anything from their homes.
They gathered such belongings as
they could and took the first train pos-
sible from the capital.

The British bluejackets meeting the
train at Tejeria were unarmed. Per-
mission was asked of Rear Admiral
Badger to send the bluejackets out
on a relief train, because of the Brit-
ish citizens aboard. When the train
was held up officials of the Mexican
cable railway and newspaper cor-
respondents who were taking photo-
graphs were arrested by the federales.

Aeroplane to Be Utilized.
The bluejackets interceded and ob-
tained the release of all who had been
taken into custody.

Aeroplane flying high over Vera
Cruz and out over the surrounding
territory on scout duty was the possi-
bility held out here with the arrival
of the battleship Mississippi. The ves-
sel, carrying an aeroplane corps,
joined the fleet of Rear Admiral
Badger.

The troops of Gen. Maas, former
military governor of Vera Cruz, are
still reported 15 miles outside the city.
Should Admirals Fletcher and Badger
receive reports that the reinforce-
ments Maas is said to be expecting
are approaching, the aeroplanes could
quickly take to the air and bring back
reports of the positions of the federal
troops. An attack upon Vera Cruz is
more or less expected, but the Amer-
ican officers do not believe it will be
attempted until Maas is reinforced by
troops from Mexico City.

Still Raiding Houses.
Vera Cruz is comparatively very
quiet. Occasional sniping continues,
however, and the marines and blue-
jackets were kept busy raiding houses
from which shots were fired and mak-
ing arrests.

A great quantity of ammunition was
found in a parochial church from
which there had been continual snip-
ing. The marines arrested the padre,
who dropped to his knees in the
street, praying loudly and protesting
his innocence.

LUIS TERRAZAS, JR.



Luis Terrazas, Jr., the wealthy Mex-
ican, held a prisoner for \$250,000 ran-
some at Chihuahua by General Fran-
cisco Villa for the last three months.
He is said to have escaped and made his
way south toward Mexico City.

Want Ads will give you results.

BREAKING CAMP AT FORT BLISS, TEXAS



This photograph, taken at Fort Bliss, Tex., showing a regiment of regular
infantry breaking camp, is typical of the scenes at many of the army posts,
where the soldiers are getting ready for possible service against Mexico.

"AX HANDLE" JOHN FALLS INTO FORTUNE

Old Man Who Has Eked Out
Existence by Hard Toil
Strikes it Rich.

SELLS FINE OIL LAND

Farm Considered too Poor to
Cultivate Sells for \$300,-
000 as Oil Prospect.

John Brecher, familiarly known as
"Axe Handles," one of the best known
characters in this section of the
country has met with a good piece
of luck of which his many friends
will be pleased to learn. For years
this old German has earned his liv-
ing by peddling tool handles made by
himself by the old time primitive
methods, and the quality of his prod-
uct has kept up the demand and
enabled him to exist comfortably.

In his native state of Michigan
it seems that John had abandoned
a farm of which the land was too
poor to justify him in trying to cul-
tivate it, and which has heretofore
been more of a detriment than an
advantage.

Sometime last winter he was made
wise to the fact that his apparently
worthless land holdings were rich
in coal and oil, and some company
made him what would seem a flatter-
ing offer for the purchase of the same.

It is said that when he was
offered \$250,000 of which \$100,000
was to be taken in stock of the com-
pany he turned the proposition down,
stating that he was ignorant of stock
matters, and that if the prospective
buyers saw fit to pay him \$300,000
in cold cash, he would accept their
proposition and turn his land over
to them. Matters ran on until a
few days ago when the old fellow
came to the Cape with a load of
axe handles.

His brother who lives in Michigan
had been apprised of his intentions of
coming to the Cape, and accordingly
wired him at this place advising him
that the company had acquiesced to
his former demands, and that the
money was awaiting him when he
returned to his old home and made
the transfer.

The old fellow did not have words
to express his delight. He immediately
bought himself a suit of hand me
down clothes, and discarded his
overalls, leaving them in the room
he had occupied at the Aqueduct,
and before he left he told Mr. Burns
the manager that the next time he
came to the Cape he would sure
enough look like a gentleman. He
hurried back to Poplar Bluff with his
team, and from there expected to go
at once and gather in the handsome
fortune that awaits him.

Fraternity Convention.

Chicago, April 25.—The sixty-sev-
enth annual convention of the Zeta
Phi fraternity opened in this city with
headquarters at the Hotel La Salle.

French Medal for Peary.

Paris, April 25.—The Geographical
Society of France made the formal
award of its grand medal to Rear Ad-
miral Robert E. Peary in recognition
of his contribution to geographical sci-
ence by the discovery of the north
pole.

MEXICAN SHOTS FALL IN LARE- DO, TEXAS

Nuevo Laredo is Burned and
American Consulate De-
stroyed by Dynamite.

HUERTA SOLDIERS KILLED

Border Guards Turned Their
Guns on Mexicans and Their
Army is Routed.

Laredo, Tex., April 24.—The thrifty
Mexican border town, Nuevo Laredo,
directly opposite this city was reduced
to ruins tonight, having been de-
vastated by dynamite and fire by
Mexican Federal soldiers, whose orgy
of destruction began late today and
did not end until the guns of the
American border control forced them
to flee southward. Several Mexicans
were seen to fall and two are known
to have been killed by the American
fire.

Several quick skirmishes between
the Americans and Mexicans were
indulged in before the troop trains
pulled out of the burning city, but
there is no evidence tonight that
the shooting had been effective.

Property in Nuevo Laredo was
damaged to the extent of \$500,000.
The United States Consulate, Municipal
Building, Post Office, Theater and
Flour Mill, and the Railroad shops
of the Mexican National Railway
were destroyed. The American sec-
tion is being controlled by U. S.
troops and hundreds of refugees have
rushed over the border. Both inter-
national bridges are safe, and in
Laredo there was no damage. Two
men were killed in undertaking to
dynamite the bridges.

Washington April 24.—According to
a dispatch dated at Vera Cruz,
3:24 p. m. today, received by the
navy department some English engi-
neers of the Mexican National Ry.,
and the chief dispatcher, an American,
were arrested, the American being
released later. The engineer had not
been released at last report. All the
English locomotive engineers of the
Mexican railways are reported to
have been arrested and placed in
jail in the cigar factory Orizaba.

Austin, Tex., April 24.—Within
the next ten days, Gov. Colquitt
expects to have at least 10,000 troops
along the Rio Grande border. The
first regiment of the National Guard
was sent to Brownsville today and four
more regiments will follow. Besides
this force the home guards are now
being organized and will number
more than 5,000.

Vera Cruz, April 24.—Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge
d'affaires at the City of Mexico,
with his family and Consul General
Shanklin and his staff arrived in
Vera Cruz tonight. Several of the
American refugees who boarded the
train were held in the capital, having
been removed from the train by
Mexican authorities. Mr. O'Shaugh-
nessy stated that up to the time he
left the City of Mexico he was not
molested in any way and went thru
the city by automobile without
hindrance and unprotected.

Washington April 25.—The atten-

SCHOOL BOARD HOLDS IMPORT- ANT MEETING

Several New Teachers Em-
ployed and Salaries
are Also Raised.

THILENIUS QUOTES LAW

Strict Regard for Law Causes Un-
mindfulness of Wishes Expressed
at Legal Election.

At the meeting of the school
board, held Friday night at the
Broadway school, several matters
demanding immediate attention were
brought up and disposed of.

Several applications for school cen-
sus enumerators were received and the
work was awarded to C. O. Dawson,
who agreed to undertake the task
for 12 cents per head.

The salaries of the teachers in all
the schools were raised on an average
of from \$2.50 to \$5.00 per month.

Upon the recommendation of Supt.
Crocker a number of teachers were
employed for the coming year, and
all recommended by him were ac-
cepted with the exception of two
non-residents whose applications will
receive further consideration of the
board.

It was decided that all the janitors
except one would be suspended during
vacation, and the board agreed that
Superintendent Crocker should select
the one to hold over.

In the matter of taking action to-
ward supplying the vacancy made by
Thilenius' defeat, and Nunn's inelig-
ibility, Mr. Thilenius expressed him-
self as not entirely satisfied with
the opinion rendered by Oliver &
Oliver. He requested that the whole
record of the controversy be sent to
the State School Superintendent with
the request that the Attorney Gen-
eral's opinion be given on the subject.

Mr. Thilenius expressed himself
as not seeking the position at all,
but that as a patriotic citizen he felt
legally bound to retain his seat re-
gardless of whether the voters wanted
him or not. He seemed to lament
the fact that the people were so ig-
norant as to seek his removal after they
had thrown him down at the election,
and after a spirited exchange of words
with President Phillips, he was quieted
when it was decided by the board to
submit the matter to the District
Attorney through the State Superin-
tendent. In his persistency, Mr.
Thilenius displays the spirit of the
Irish jurymen who in speaking of
the other members of the body on
which he was serving, said that they
were eleven of the stubbornest men
he ever saw.

When President Phillips
advised him that for every 20 men
favoring his stand there were 100
opposing him, Mr. Thilenius did
not seem to be much disturbed, and
it looks as though the only way to
move him will be to draft him into
the military service and take him to
Mexico.

tion of the American government dur-
ing the greater part of Friday and
today was concentrated on restoring
order at Vera Cruz, and expediting
the departure of Americans from all
parts of Mexico. A watchful eye
was also trained on the trans-con-
tinental boundary between Mexico and
the United States, for any signs of
hostility from the Mexican constitu-
tionalists. A long meeting was
held by President Wilson and his
cabinet, and optimism seemed to
prevail both in their demeanor and
discussion of the situation. At the
conference of the State Department
between Secretary Bryan and repre-
sentative of the Mexican constitu-
tionalists dispatches were sent to
Gen. Carranza, strongly advising him
to remain neutral, and assuring him
that the American Government in-
tended to withdraw its forces from
Mexico just as soon as satisfactory
reparation had been made for offenses
committed by Huerta. Carranza
was advised that by assuming a
hostile attitude, he would draw all
Mexico into war. Huerta would be
perpetuated and that constitutional-
ists cause lost in the melee.

Vera Cruz, April 25.—Owing to
the flight of Mexicans in authority
here, five branches of the city govern-
ment have been organized and are
being filled by Americans. Nelson
O'Shaughnessy has arrived from the
Capital city and reports many Amer-
icans held as hostages at interior
points. Four Americans were reported
killed by mobs in the City of Mexico.

City of Mexico, April 25.—This
city is in a state of intense excite-
ment and Huerta's refusal to declare war
is in line with his apparent policy
of causing Americans as much trouble
as he can. However, Carranza's
action, and not Huerta's will deter-
mine the future course of the United
States.

COLORADO STRIKE RE- SEMBLES WAR

State Troops are Hurried In-
to the Trouble Zone
Near Trinidad.

MINERS GO TO MEET THEM

Trains Jammed With Refugees
and Towns Depopulated—
Death List Large.

(WNU News Service.)
Trinidad, Colo., April 25.—About 500
state militia from Walsenburg went
into the strike zone, where disorders
in the last few days have resulted in
heavy loss of life which may run into
hundreds.

Agular, normally a thriving mining
and agricultural town of 2,000 popu-
lation, is almost depopulated. Terror-
ized by the events of the last four
days, in which the strikers' colony at
Ludlow was wiped out in a battle be-
tween strikers and militia and the
mining camps of Empire, Southwest-
ern, Bordhead and Royal were
wrecked or burned, the citizens have
fled in all directions.

The train which reached Trinidad
from Lynn, the nearest railroad sta-
tion, was jammed with refugees from
the center of the disturbed district.
Many families have fled to neighbor-
ing ranches and other towns out
of the strike zone. The town's water sup-
ply is cut off by the destruction of the
pumping plant, which also supplied
the camps at Hastings, Delagua and
Berwind.

Similar conditions exist in probably
a dozen mining camps in Huerfano
and Las Animas counties.

Families Flee Into Mine.

The feeling of relief over the an-
nouncement that all the women and
children entombed in the wretched
stope of the Empire mine had been
taken out safely was turned to gloom
again by news that the Southwestern
mine had been razed and 20 more min-
ers, their wives and children and a
number of guards have fled into the
mine entrance to escape a hail of lead.

Strikers cleared away the wreckage
at the mouth of the Empire mine, and
after a parley with the entombed pris-
oners conducted three women, two
children and Supt. William Waddell,
who was wounded, to a place of safe-
ty. J. W. Siple, president of the com-
pany, refused to leave the mine.

CLIFTON-KELLY SHOWS TO BRING GOOD CHEER TO THE CAPE.

The following extract from the
Winona Times will perhaps serve
to enlighten the citizens of the Cape
of the high-class entertainment to
be expected when the Clifton-Kelly
shows make their appearance in the
Cape on Monday April 27th.

Clifton-Kelly Shows Pleasing All

Visitors.

The street fair and carnival has
been going merrily along all this week
and is attracting large crowds every
afternoon and night to the carnival
grounds. The Clifton-Kelly shows
are the largest and best combination
of the kind ever seen here, and the
people of Winona and the surround-
ing territory are showing their ap-
preciation of their splendid attractions
by giving them liberal patronage.

Large crowds of our citizens of
the city and county are seen every
afternoon and night on the midway,
and at night with its hundreds of
multi colored electric lights the mid-
way presents a scene of gaiety that
rivals the Mardi Gras days of New
Orleans.

The Clifton-Kelly shows are es-
sentially a big city show, playing
such cities as Natchez, Vicksburg,
and Jackson. At Natchez they fur-
nished all the attractions for the
Firemen's carnival, at Vicksburg all
the attractions for the Beaver's
Free Street Fair, and played Jackson
for two weeks, during Christmas and
New Year's week.

This company has the most up to
date carnival shows ever seen here.
They carry a good band that gives
free band concerts daily, and for a
free attraction they carry the great
Guthrie family who give two per-
formances daily of their wonderful
aerial act which is free for everyone
to see.

Of the two riding devices carried
by this company too much cannot
be said. The big Ocean Wave is a
new attraction here and is proving
popular, while their Jumping Horse
Merry-Go-Round which is said to be
the finest machine of the kind ever
brought into the state is certainly the
best one ever seen here and is being
patronized by the best ladies and
children of the city.

Friday and Saturday are the last
two days of the carnival and are
sure to be red letter days for Win-
ona as they are sure to bring large
crowds from the country if the
weather continues favorable.

POLICE ARREST AL- LEGED BRASS THIEF

When Arrested Had Large
Quantity of Brass in
His Possession.

KANE MAKES ARREST

Thought to Have Been Operating
in Vicinity for Some Time—
Other Officials Interested.

A young man giving his name as
John Davis and claiming nowhere in
particular as his home, was arrested
Saturday morning at about one-
o'clock by Officer Fred Kane, who had
been attracted by the suspicious
actions of the prisoner.

Davis was seen going up the rail-
road tracks toward the depot, on the
East Side. He was pushing a bicycle
on which was tied a bundle of some
sort. As he approached the depot,
Mr. Kane slipped around a then
North end and met him. When ques-
tioned the suspect stated that he was
going up the road and that the bicycle
was his own property. When the
officer asked him about the contents
of the sack he was carrying, he started
to run but was quickly seized and
held. Investigation developed the
fact that the prisoner had in his
possession 85 pounds of brass, some
of which was very valuable. He de-
nied having stolen the goods, and
stated that he had purchased them
from a negro in Illinois, and that he
had paid \$3.00 for the lot. Men
familiar with some of the pieces
stated that one of the articles was
easily worth \$70. when new, being an
important and complicated attach-
ment to a steam engine. The sack
containing the brass is supposed to
have come from the cement plant
as it was apparently new and bore
the factory mark.

This man had been under the sur-
veillance of Officer Kane for nearly
a week. He was first seen by the
officer on Monday morning, going
North on Spanish street, riding his
bicycle and carrying a bundle. He
was seen again two mornings later
coming along the same route, but
carrying a different looking package.
Several times during the week in the
early morning hours he was observed
making his way toward the North
part of the city on his bicycle.
Since his arrest it develops that he
was in the habit of leaving his bi-
cycle on the East side of the depot
each morning. The presumption now
is that he would rice out of the busi-
ness section and secrete his loot at
an hour when there was little danger
of being seen. He stated that he had
been selling his brass scraps for six-
cents a pound to local dealers.
Special Agent Wilson of the Cotton
Belt came to the city to examine the
prisoner to ascertain whether or not
he is the party for whom search
is being made by his company on
the charge of stealing brass. Mr.
Sontag of the cement plant was called
to examine the supposedly stolen
goods, but failed to identify any of
them as being the property of his
company. An engineer from the
cement works has been sent for and
it is thought that he will be able to
identify some of the goods as having
been stolen.

Davis, as he calls himself, is well
dressed, and presents a good appear-
ance, although he has made some very
confusing statements in regard to his
movements.

Officer Kane, is deserving of com-
mendable mention for the manner in
which he maintained his watchful-
ness, finally resulting in an arrest
which it is believed will verify the
suspicions that a dangerous thief
has been placed in custody.

YOUNG MAN WILL COLLECT BIG JUDGMENT.

Stanley Wright, formerly of this
city has returned from San Francisco
on the advice of his attorneys in
order that final settlement of his
claim and judgment for \$5,000 against
the C. G. & N. Railroad might be
effected. He was injured three years
ago while in the employ of said
company, having suffered the loss of
a leg. He states that in his suit for
damages he secured judgment for
\$5,000 and that he has been instruct-
ed to report here in order that all
matters attending final settlement may
be properly disposed of.

Jewelryman Robbed of \$35,000.

Chicago, April 25.—William J. An-
ton, jewelry salesman employed by
Durand & Co., Newark, N. J., was
robbed of jewelry valued at \$35,000. A
porter disappeared with his sample
case, he told the police.

Aeroplanes Offered U. S.

Chicago, April 25.—Eleven aero-
planes, the property of the Aero Club
of Illinois, will be sold or given to the
United States government for use in
Mexico in the event they are needed.

Washington, April 25.—The heads
of all departments except Secretary
Bryan seem to favor an early cam-
paign against the City of Mexico.